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## From the Editor

by Steve Glazner



**William A. Daigneau Receives 2007 Rex Dillow Award**

We are pleased to announce that William A. Daigneau, vice president and chief facilities officer at the University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center, is the recipient of the 2007 Rex Dillow Award for Outstanding Article in *Facilities Manager*.

Bill is the second author in APPA history to be awarded the Rex Dillow Award three times. He ties with Walter Simpson of SUNY at Buffalo for having three separate articles honored by APPA.

A longtime APPA member, Bill is an occasional agent provocateur on topics that APPA and its members need to consider, but are sometimes not quite ready to confront. His award-winning article, "Megatrends and Myths: Facilities Management Practices in Higher Education," (November/December 2006) continues that tradition by offering five megatrends, or major categories, that higher education and facilities professionals need to deal with to remain current: changing student demographics, access and efficiency,

technology, accountability, and environmental stewardship.

At the same time, Bill presents five myths of higher education facilities management:

1. Build for the long haul
2. Build flexibility into the design
3. Form follows function
4. Deferred maintenance is bad
5. Facilities attract students

This is provocative indeed. APPA's Information and Research Committee—led by Michael J. Sofield of the Smithsonian Institution—agreed and selected Bill's article from 13 eligible articles this year.

APPA has presented the annual Rex Dillow Award since 1987. The award is named for APPA member emeritus Rex O. Dillow, formerly of the University of Missouri-Columbia, who contributed much to the development and improvement of APPA's publication and educational programs during his active membership in the association.

Congratulations to Bill for his award and his contribution to the body of knowledge. 🏆

### Past Rex Dillow Award Recipients (2002 – 2006)

2006	Roger E. Rowe
2005	Leonard Friesenhahn, P.E.
2004	Richard W. Robben
2003	Donald J. Guckert & Jeri R. King
2002	Walter K. Simpson